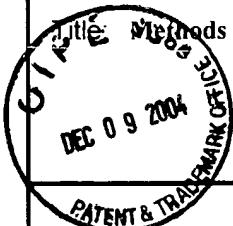


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DE 2006741 B2 and JP58183330 are not in the English language. By way of a brief description of the reference, English language abstracts for DE 2006741 B2 and JP58183330 are enclosed.

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Finally, the applicant urges that the claims are patentable over the disclosed information.

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